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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 07553.0017-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Mitsuru ISHIKAWA et al.) Group Art Unit: 1763
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Application No.: 09/696,232) Examiner: A. Olsen
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Filed: October 26, 2000)
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For: ETCHING METHOD) Confirmation No.: 5127

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time to reply to the Office action of November 7, 2005. A fee of \$120.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

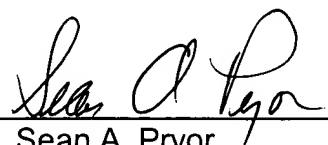
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